

**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Catherine CHAIX et al.

Confirmation No. 3267

Application No. 10/518,119

Group Art Unit 1792

Filed: April 10, 2006

Examiner Nathan Ford

Title: MATERIAL EVAPORATION CHAMBER WITH  
DIFFERENTIAL VACUUM PUMPING

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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December 22, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2009, the period for response to which now extends to December 22, 2009 (December 19, 2009 being a Saturday and on December 21, 2009, the Federal Government was closed due to inclement weather), by Petition for Extension of Time concurrently filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.